



**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
OFFICE OF THE CLERK

**JON D. CERETTO**  
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Clerk of Court

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**RE: CREDIT COUNSELING REQUIREMENT**

**BEFORE YOU FILE BANKRUPTCY**

You must attend an **approved credit counseling course** **prior** to filing your bankruptcy petition if you are an individual (or spouse filing jointly) filing under Chapter 7 or 11 or 13, or your bankruptcy case **may be dismissed**.

To find a credit counseling agency for the Central District of California, visit the U.S. Trustee website at:

[www.usdoj.gov/ust/eo/bapcpa/ccde/cc\\_approved.htm#CA](http://www.usdoj.gov/ust/eo/bapcpa/ccde/cc_approved.htm#CA)

OR

Ask a clerk at the filing windows for information about approved credit counseling agencies.

The credit counseling rule of Bankruptcy Code Section 109 has very few exceptions. For assistance, contact an attorney.

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